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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 7, 2002, please consider the following.

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly amend Claim 1 as follows. Applicant includes herewith an Attachment for Claim Amendments showing a marked up version of each amended claim.

1. (Amended) An arrangement for clamping a saw blade to a reciprocable shaft of a power tool, the shaft having two ends, one end for coupling with a motor and the other end including a retaining member on which a blade for clamping may be